Ladies Day This Sunday

The general public is cordially invited to attend the annual Ladies Day Program at the Mount Shiloh Baptist Church this Sunday, March 21, at 3 p.m. The following program is being sponsored by the Willing Workers Club of the church. Opening hymn, Morrison Grove Baptist Church Choir. Devotional, Mrs. Hoda M. Harris. Selection, Choir. Welcome address, Mrs. Ida Ethel Rosporne. Mrs. Ellen Earl. Selection, Choir. Paper, Miss Geeta Fleshman. Poem, Mrs. Louise Watts Reading, Mrs. Evelyn Red. Greeting, Visiting Ladies Clubs. Introduction of guest speaker, Mrs. Ethel Turner. Address, Mrs. Mattie J. Paige. Offering. Mesdames Daisy Jackson and Lucinda Lewis. Remarks. Announcements. Benediction, Mrs. Virginia Hicks will serve as ushers of ceremony and Misses Maxine Lewis, Margaret Petty, Georna Reed and Roxanna Ferguson will serve as ushers.

The Few Rally held at the Mount Shiloh Baptist Church, Sunday evening March 14, at 3 p.m. was a success. The following leaders reported Deacon Boaz Hicks, 141.05; Mrs. Ethel Turner 90.00; Mrs. Louise Watts, 67.55 and Deacon Calvin Elliot, 53.00. A grand total of $379.60 was reported including the public offering. The Galilee Baptist Church seeks chair, usher board and pastor were the special guests. All present enjoyed the entire service.

An appreciative crowd attended the regular evening services held at the Promise Land Baptist Church last Sunday evening at 7:30. The pastor of the church delivered a special message. Special music was rendered by the Junior Choir of the church. Mrs. Annie Harvey was the leader for the month. Mrs. Harvey reported an after offering of $19.00.

A special meeting on Revised N.F.A. activities was held in the Vocational Agricultural Department on Monday evening 8 p.m. under the leadership of Dr. M. A. Fields, State Adviser and head of the Teacher trainer Department of Virginia State College. Instructors from Amherst, Bedford, Campbell, Buckingham and Appomattox attended. Plans were mapped out for the State and Convention which will be held on June 11 through 14 at Virginia State College. The meeting lasted for three hours.

Stonewall

Last Sunday Rev. and Mrs. J. P. Leidner had their grandaughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Joe and two children of Richmond.

Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Wheeler were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Wheeler and family last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roop and family visited her family, The Godseys, of Madison Heights, Sunday.

Mrs. Etta Reaton is improving.

Mrs. Annie Hensley and Mr. J. O. Davidson are still on the sick list.

Ronnie Davidson had his tonsils taken out Wednesday. He is home doing real well. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Davidson.

Little J. E. Herndon had the misfortune to get shot in the ankle Saturday and had to be taken to the hospital. He will have to stay three days. His father shot a chicken and the shot went through the chicken and ricocheted and hit him.

Mrs. Blankenship funeral was well attended at Stonewall Presbyterian Church Friday afternoon.

Saturday a work day was held at Hebron Church to beautify the grounds and cemetery. There were 32 men present. The women had dinner for them. A hearty meal was served cafeteria style.

Mrs. I. B. Wheeler visited Mrs. Elizabeth Woodfrum Friday for lunch.

Mr. Jessie Jude of Pleasantville was a week end visitor of his grandfather, Mr. J. O. Davidson.

Miss Kathy Caldwell and Mr. Bob Harris visited his grandmother, Mrs. Carter in the hospital in Lynchburg Friday night. Hope she has a quick recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Jones and family visited Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Wheeler Sunday afternoon.

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Pamplin

Clarence Ramsey, Mrs. Grace's brother, was rushed to the Lynchburg General Hospital last Wednesday afternoon by the doctor in emergency case. He returned home Saturday night for a few days. He is scheduled for surgery the near future. Prayers are solicited by his relatives.

Walker Garrison remains ill in the Virginia Baptist Hospital. His condition is about the same according to the latest report.

Mrs. L. N. Ligon, from Williamston, N.C., were recent week end guests of his mother, Mrs. L. N. Ligon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Roberts and Gale, of Farmville, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Will Baldwin, Sunday, March 7th.

Recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Pulcher were Mrs. Pulcher's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Hamlett and her sisters, Mrs. Irene Holly and Mrs. Lillian Womack, all of Richmond.

A surprise 'Birthday Dinner Party' was given last Sunday in honor of Mr. Aubrey Hamlett in his home in Cullen. Those attending from Pamplin were his son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Hamlett, James and Patricia.

Beulah Cobb's week end guests are as follows: Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Cobb and daughter, Mrs. Jean Agee and two children, and The Rev. Lawson Pankey, all of Richmond. The Rev. G. A. Harris, Sr. and Guy Dixon, both of Cullen; Miss Katherine Hamilton, of Keysville, and Mr. Harry Hamilton, of Darlington Heights.

Mrs. Lillie Mann, a patient in the Cobb Nursing Home had as her guests Sunday Mrs. Herm Mann and Mrs. Mayberry, of Evergreen.

Mrs. C. W. Slayton received a message from her son-in-law, George Dalton, in Washington D.C., informing her of the arrival of their third son, born about 4 o'clock Sunday morning, Mar. 14. Mother and baby are doing nicely.

Mrs. C. W. Slayton visited relatives and friends in both the Lynchburg General Hospital and Memorial Hospital Saturday afternoon.

Visitors in the R. H. Fore home last week are as listed Mrs. Rosemary Bates, Mr. and Mrs. G. I. Watt, of Appomattox; Clarence Ramsey, Wesley Hamlett, Waverly Foster, Z. V. Harvey, of Evergreen, Mrs. James Irwin Brown, of Tappahannock, Va., Mrs. Walter Young and daughter, Myra, of Concord; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Anderson, Mrs. Leah Williams, James Ramsey, Wilson Pulcher, Harry Nash and Mrs. Wesley Hamlett.

Over the week end guests of Mrs. Eunice Baldwin were her children and grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kowalsky, Barbara Faye and Donava, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Baldwin and Lynn, all of Lynchburg; Mr and Mrs. W. G. Baldwin and two sons, of Phenix.

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Mrs. Comer Baldwin visited Mrs. Mary Sizemore and her patients on Saturday.

Visiting in the home of Mrs. Pearl Rand last week were Mrs. Margie Beale and son Robert, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tolley, Mr. Irving Bushey, and Mr. and Mrs Sherma nBushey.

Mrs. Edith Tolley and Mrs. Clara Cumby visited Mr. Harry Stone in the Lynchburg General Hospital Sunday.

Sunday guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Meadows were Mr. and Mrs. Basil Bryant and four daughters, Wanda Sue, Betty Jean, Bonnie Ray, and Lisa Dawn, of Cullen, Mr. and Mrs. John Edwards and three children, Jane, Johnny, an dAnet, of Charlotte Court House, Miss Peggy Garrette and Mr. Tony Mann.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mathis over the week end were Mr. and Mrs. Duval Brooks and daughter, Cindy, of Woodbridge.

Mr. Charlie Williams called in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Coleman and Mr. Dan Wooldridge on Sunday.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tolley Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Lester Price, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Bushey and three daughters, Gloria, Hazel, and Pamelia, all of Richmond, Mrs. Eva Gull and daughter, Sharon Kay, of Appomattox, Mr. and Mrs. Neal Chernault and two daughters, Terri and Tammy, of Prospect, and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Tolley, of Farmville.

Those visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Webber Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Webber and son, Chucky, Mr and Mrs. Billy Webber and two children, Debbie and Sammy, Mr. Lawrence Webber and Mr. Edward Webber and Junior Allen.

The Piney, Pamplin, Evergreen M.Y.F. will met at Pamplin Methodist Church, Sunday at 6:30.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Bushey and three daughters visited Mr and Mrs. Sherman Bushey Sunday.

Evergreen

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Cralle visited Mr. and Mrs. Dan Clanp and son, of Richmond; and Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Cralle, Jr. and family, of Suffolk, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Harvey and daughters, Linda and Sue, visited Mr. and Mrs. John Austin, of Lynchburg, Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Dixon and family spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. O'Brien, of Roxboro, N.C.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Mrs. H. C. Davis, who passed away last Sunday.

Mr. Archer A. LeGrand attended the wedding of his daughter, Miss Wanda Kay, last Saturday at Richmond and also visited relatives.

Mrs. Linda May and son, of Phenix, are visiting her grandmother, Mrs. W. C. Garrett. Those who called in this home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Keys, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Farrar, Mr. and Mrs. Witt Woodall, of Lynchburg and Mrs. Thomas Paulette and family, of Phenix.

Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Wooldridge and daughter, Peggy, spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs Cecil Wooldridge, of Palmyra, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Rivers, Mr. and Mrs. Rivers, of Cambria, spent Sunday with Mrs. Ella Jennings and Mrs. Eva Cawthorn.

A shower was given Miss Carolyn Keys and Sammy Dickerson at community house last Friday night. A nice crowd attended. They received many gifts.

Mrs. Lucy Calhoun, of Lynchburg, spent Sunday in the home of Mrs. Ryland Staples and family and Mrs. O. C. Paulette.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Richardson and sons, of Pamplin, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. z. v. Harvey.

Gladstone

Mr. W. E. Akers is a patient in Virginia Baptist Hospital.

Mr. S. R. Coble is a patient in the C & O Hospital in Clifton Forge.

Mrs. B. M. Wallace is visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Wallace and family in Appomattox.

The regular monthly meeting of the Amherst - Nelson M.Y.F. Sub-District was held at St. James Methodist Church near Riverville, Monday night at 7:30 p.m.

H. M. Dixon has returned home from the Virginia Baptist Hospital.

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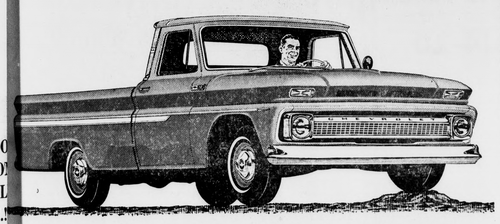

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World War II is over but this tax is still assessed against telephone users, through there is no such tax on users of the other utilities, water, gas and electricity. The **10% Federal Excise Tax** which you pay on your local and long distance telephone bill, is the one we are talking about.

The Congress of the United States is now about to consider a bill to take off or reduce many of the Excise Taxes. The taxes most favored for elimination or reduction are those on furs, cosmetics, handbags, luggage, admissions and jewelry. But . . . the Excise Tax on telephone service is not being discussed for either elimination or reducation. **Why Not?**

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The above reasons all stand on the ground of ease and expeniency, and depend on the **apathy of the people** and the **might of government** for collection, **not on the rightness** of the tax. The same three reasons could as well be used to justify the taking of money from a bank, because:

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3. The haul would be relatively large for the effort expended.

Fortunatley though, the public will not tolerate "taxing" the bank is such a manner since they recognize it as foreable taking of one person's property for the unearned benefit of someone else. Folks also know that if we were **that** apathetic about property rights insurance companies would be unable to collect enough premiums to pay losses because their money must first come from the people they are insuring and protecting.

The excise taxes initially were a "voluntary" payment to the Government in that they were voted in, on a broad base and for a specific and essential governmental function. Now the conditions have changed. The base has been narrowed, and more narrowing is proposed. Now the money is going largely for social programs and other purposes.

With the narrower base the present excise tax amounts to a 10% sales tax on a select item and group of people, and with the changes in the use of the tax it constitutes the forcible taking of one person's property to give away to somebody else. It is certainly not a fair tax nor, in our opinion, is it being used for an essential function of government.

Of course if most of our people think it is unimportant and do nothing, almost certainly it will become a permanent tax and probably will be increased in later years for the same reasons it now remains standing.

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Much as we object to this tax we are after all, only collecting it from you people, our customers. Your letters and voices, not ours, are the ones that will be read and listened to by our representatives. If you are interested, and we do believe you should be, tell them how you feel about this special and unfair tax against telephone users.

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